with the hope of a real world-order and a prerequisite for it.

As Mr. Leonard Barnes remarks (in *Fact* of June, 1937, "The Skeleton of Empire"): you cannot change human nature, some people say, but you can change human behaviour. Raw instincts can be sublimated and the failure to do this will involve the collapse of civilisation. "The commercial, financial, and fiscal policy of the British Empire during the last five years has probably contributed more than any other single influence to set up the conditions that have driven Germany and Italy desperate." The only answer to their demands for colonies is to turn colonies into free communities. One thing is certain, if we are unable to reorganise the Empire as part of an international collective system, world war is inevitable. Those sincere people who want to change the social system must realise that the perpetuation of misery and poverty is intimately bound up with the continuance of Imperialism. English Socialists must learn the lesson of Marx that the workers cannot be free while the coloured workers are in bondage.

It is only the surtax payer who would suffer by the eman cipation of India. Only a break with the imperialist tradition can open the way to the increase of consuming power of the Indian masses. If these millions could only spend a few more shillings yearly on British goods it would vastly improve British trade. We have battened on the misery of India and maintained a higher standard of living than the rest of Europe at her expense; the result is high tariffs, the rising cost of living, enormous armaments and the lengthening shadow of war. 0 »

Imperial atrocities arise as the result of many indirect forces. We honestly believe that we have done good for India. Only too often we "know not what we do." Perhaps this is what is meant when it is said that the Empire was won in a fit of absent-mindedness. We are caught in a system which